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PARKVILLE:

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FOR RENT.

FOR LEASE for a term of years a new Hotel, to which I am just finishing. It is situated and is the largest and most commodious Hotel West of St. Louis. It will be rented at reasonable terms to a good Tenant. Apply to G. E. Palmer.

STORES FOR RENT.

THEY ARE TWO STORES set to let, one on Main and Water streets, Parkville. They are fitted up and finished in the best style for merchants and others. Possessions given at reasonable rates. By taking passage with Capt. Green, much delay, inconvenience and money will be saved.

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Inquiries about Kansas.

So many of our friends are constantly calling at the *Luminary* office to have their observations taken down, that were we to give way to mere feeling of convenience, we would, "hold, enough!" But, in the hope that our incidental information will be of use to others, we will write out and publish all the memoranda we can get. We have ready for next week, notes of a tour through the country south of the Kansas River—*besides* a letter from our friend Judge Kirkpatrick at Vesper's Point, (Douglas City, we believe). There are also upon our table sketches enough of country explored to make a responsible and interesting map of the portion of Kansas Territory now so rapidly filling up.

Letters of inquiry are reaching us by every mail, selected a lot of questions that have been put.

1st. How much land should a settler have for raising a reasonable quantity of stock—enough to make it profitable?

2d. What would land cost, desirably situated in your neighborhood?

3d. What amount of capital would it require to stock & put a suitable building on it—in short, what amount of means could one get along with?

4th. What is the cost of man-labor, and woman labor, to work on a farm in that country?

5th. What time should a settler take possession?

6th. Is there any apprehension from Indians?

7th. What would it cost to remove furniture from St. Louis to your neighborhood?

8th. In settling Kansas, what are the terms of the Government to actual settlers? How much land do they give?

9th. What are the openings for business men in your immediate vicinity?

In the following article I will be found such as we could easily give in time for this number.

Answers to the foregoing Questions.

1st. On the borders of these large prairies, the winter season should first prove timber and water; then he can easily have unbounded scope in pastures for years, on the east ranges of Nature's meadows and fields. According to circumstances, he might have from 80 to 100 acres of timber, and from 100 to 300 acres for a farm.

2d. The settler can "raise" on most of the land, 100 acres by pre-emption at \$1.25 per acre, and he may possibly be able to bid off whatever more property is required at the same price.

3d. The first settlers generally put up, hewed log-houses, log-sidings, and set on iron posts for eaves-roofed with pine hay. The winters are extremely so mild, that settler can keep on during the cold weather, letting them run out in the sheltered groves and bottoms. It will cost about \$300 each a roof to fence with rails an Oregon hedge can be raised for the same price. A stone-wall fence will cost, from \$1 to \$1.50 per rod.

It will readily be seen that the cost of a farm will be in exact proportion to the amount and kind of improvements made.

In regard to Stock—owes will cost from \$12 to \$30 each, \$30 to \$75 per yoke; horses, \$75 to \$100; sheep, \$1 to \$1.50 per head, but they are mostly of the common coarse-wool kind.

4th. Turners, merchandises—all the necessary outfit for a settler—can be had in Parkville, as reason the terms are at St. Louis or the East, allowing for cost of transportation, etc.

The amount of capital necessary to start will depend entirely on the extent of the settler's operations. Some of our wealthiest men came to the West, on their claims, and had not a dollar left; but they went to work, raised their cabin, while their oxen and team fed on the prairie, and by dint of persevering industry for a few years their fields now spread out in luxuriant fruitfulness before them, and their numerous flocks and herds are scattered thickly over the vast meadows. It would undoubtedly be better, at any rate easier, for a farmer to have sufficient ready money, after paying for his land, to purchase necessary farming implements and household furniture, brokies for the first year, besides enough to help make his improvements and buy some stock in the Spring. Some portions of the Kansas Territory is the best country for sheep raising we ever saw; and it would be capital speculation for some of the wealthy wool-growers to send out a few sheep of their blooded stock.

Butter and cheese are in great demand if fortune is to be made rapidly in the Kansas Valley, at the dairy business. Fort Riley affords a fine retail market for these commodities, so also do the steamboats and town on the Missouri. The Kansas presents the best sites in the world for dairy farms.

4th. Laboring men can be hired at from \$15 to \$25 per month. Female "help" cannot be had at \$2 a week, where wanted, that had better be brought along.

5th. This Fall, or early next spring—the sooner the better; as all the good claims are being rapidly taken up.

6th. No danger need be apprehended from Indians in the Kansas Valley below Fort Riley, and not much above.

7th. Freight from St. Louis to Parkville—according to the state of the River. In Spring months from \$30 to \$50 per hundred, in Fall, \$75 to \$100. Passage in cabin of first class boats, ten to fifteen dollars.

From Parkville up the Kansas Valley there is an excellent road, and teams can be hired at from \$2.50 to \$3 per day. The distance is about 32 miles to the "Yankee" settlement (as it is called) on the Wauhauqua, 40 miles to the Mississippi, 100 miles to the Blue and 120 to Fort Riley. Steamboat will run on the Kansas River during high water. The "Moira" Garrett, of this town, is building a fine flat boat, with which they expect to start that boat during low water, they expect to start first with freight and passengers to Big Blue on Monday or Tuesday next. Settlers in that section of country can thus have easy and comfortable traveling, because there are no roads except at reasonable rates. By taking passage with Capt. Green, much delay, inconvenience and money will be saved.

8th. None. But all the lands contiguous subject to pre-emption, except those in the Delaware, Iowa, and Wau (over 600,000 acres), will be put up at public auction.

9th. Merchants, hotel-keepers, mechanics, manufacturers, clerks, nurses, and agriculturists, will all find their finding there—recovered in this vicinity, and throughout upper Missouri. This is the finest agricultural section of the United States. Openings for laundry employees are continually increasing in our young and thriving cities and towns. The Platte Counter is occupied by wealthy and enterprising farmers. The spirit of improvement is abroad; we hope to see in railroad connection with the rest of mankind; and, as society advances, new wants will be created, and a more enlarged business sphere will be required, affording ample encouragement to the worthy and industrious.

We next cross Wolf River, and came down opposite St. Joseph, through a rough, rocky country, almost destitute of timber but well watered. There was a considerable number of claims, on none of which there were families living. Returning to the Wolf, we kept up the south side for about 30 miles, and found the timber on the main stream to be half-inch saplings—the bottom about a mile wide, with a rich soil. We saw a few claims in this quarter. Next we crossed numerous tributaries, running out for perhaps five or six miles, with a border of light timber—upland prairies rolling and rich. We found plenty of good springs, and the main Wolf River will supply good water power.

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Material for Paper.

A friend in the western part of the State writes us as follows:

ELGINITE, N. C., Aug. 25, 1854.

Messrs. Hill—Gentlemen: I last fall called the attention of your readers and paper manufacturers to the cotton plant, as a material for paper.

My faith in it is strengthened by the fact which I see going the rounds of the "American Agriculturist" (Philadelphia Ledger) printed on paper made from wood—the wood of the poplar. This settles the question, and as wood is a substitute for rags, the object should be to select that kind that abounds most in the strong fibre, and this is the cotton plant—the root of it in particular.

Paper makers and paper consumers, you print and we that are all interested in this subject. Nothing would work great a change in the paper business as the successful application of the millions of pounds of cotton plant annually allowed to, in the manufacture of printing paper.

Will not paper manufacturers try it? Yours, very truly, C. J. Cowles.

LATEST NEWS.

A correspondent of the New York Post is writing from Yellow Springs in Ohio, thinks the danger of a short corn crop is imminent. He writes

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Proposers for Wood.

The subscriber invites, until 10 o'clock, A.M., on the 5th of October, proposals for the delivery at Fort Leavenworth.

For Hundred Cords of Wood.

The wood to be sound Hickory, Oak, Ash, or Pear, cut four feet long, split to proper size, and well corded in the wood yard near the Garrison. This wood is to be delivered at or before the 1st day of November, 1854.

O. A. OGDEN,

Ass't. Quarter-Master, 2

Post Leavenworth, Sept. 4, 1854.

\$4,000.00!

THE PEOPLE'S

GIFT ENTERPRISE

ASSOCIATION.

ONE OF LIFE'S HAPPY HOURS,

AND A

Share in the Gifts,

FOR ONE DOLLAR.

THE subscriber would inform the public that he has established agencies throughout the country for the disposal of these beautiful engravings known as "One Life's Happy Hours."

This is a beautiful object to be hung in any room, and is worth a prominent place in parlor or drawing room. The original painting (by Mrs. Charles Sigourney) is now in the possession of Mrs. Charles Sigourney. This engraving is now in the hands of Mrs. Charles Sigourney, and is a copy of the original painting.

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COMMERCIAL.

St. Louis, September 13.

The good old times when the sun was every now and then veiled by clouds, and the earth moistened with rains, are now returning. We have had for the past two days a little shade and a slight humidity, and the atmosphere is more comfortable. A rise in the river is requisite to revive business, but to produce such a result heavy and long continued rains will be necessary. The upper streams are all too low for the smallest class of boats. Receipts, in consequence continuing to be very light, and sales show a limited business. Prices, under the circumstances, of several articles are tending upward.

HEMP—Sale of 145 bushels at \$125—the only transaction reported.

FLOUR—Sale of \$6 to \$7 per barrel.

WHEAT—Market lightly supplied. Sold at 135c. to 140c. per bushel.

We quote, as follows, from Yestmen & Robinson's Circular:

HEMP.—With fair receipts, the Market continues dull. No change in price and demand very limited. Owing to unfavorable weather, there has not been a transaction for the last three days, but we continue to give our former quotations as the range of the market. Stock in store and on the Levee, about 16,000 bushels.—Interior \$115 to 120. Prime \$123 to 125. Choice \$130 to 135.

FLOUR.—With very light receipts, the market has been fully sustained, closing firm with light demand.—Ranges from \$6 to 7.37.

GRAIN.—Wheat has been in good demand and at full prices. At the close, bidders holding off and market dull.—Corn has been in fair demand, but receipts being large, the market closed less active at a slight decline. Oats dull and declining.

Wheat \$1.20 to \$145. Corn 50c. to 60s.

PARKVILLE PRICES CURRENT

PARKVILLE, Sep. 19, 1854

Corrected weekly by Aspling, Stevens & Co. Merchants, Producers & St. Louis Agents.

PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS:

Bulk meat	per 100 lbs	\$4.50 to \$7.00
Hemp	"	\$5.00 to \$7.00
Beef	"	\$6.00 to \$9.00
Lard	"	7 to 10
Pork	"	7 to 10
Hams dried	"	8c
do green	"	3c
Wheat	"	3c
FLOUR	"	100 lbs \$1.00 to \$1.25
do fine	"	50 lbs \$1.50 to \$2.00
Pathers	"	15 to 20
Beeswax	"	15 to 20
Butter	"	12c to 15c
Eggs (scarce)	"	10c
Chickens	"	1 to 2
Hens	"	each
Bone white	"	1 to 2
do coarse	"	75
Potatoes, Irish	"	1 to 2
Jeans, common country par	"	50 to 65
Leather, common	"	30 to 50
Yarns good	"	25 to 30
GROCERIES AND LIQUORS.		
Coffee, Rio	per lb	14c
do Lagni	"	12c
Tea, Y. Hyson	"	75 to 75c
do Gunpowder	"	75 to 75c
do L. Gunpowder	"	75 to 75c
Sugar, N. O.	"	\$1.00 to \$1.25
do refined	"	6 to 7c
do crushed	"	7 to 9c
Mulasses, S. H.	gallon	12c to 14c
do Rum	"	40 to 50c
Whiskey, rectified by bbl	35c to 40c	per gall
Brandy, domestic per gall	40 to 50c	per gall
do N. Y.	"	40 to \$1.00
Wine, Madera	"	40 to 50c

ALEXIS HUGHES.

MUDD & HUGHES.

FORWARDING AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

Nos. 33 Levee, and 70 Commercial Streets,

SAINT LOUIS, MO.

REFERENCE:

Jas. M. Hughes, Procs. Bank of Missouri.

Messrs. Pease, J. & Co., & Co., St. Louis.

Messrs. Doan, King & Co., & Co.

Robert Aull, Esq., Lexington, Missouri.

Col. A. W. Duopham, Liberty, Missouri.

Hink & Dale, Parkville, Mo.

M. T. Summers & Co., Parkville, Mo.

N. B. H. Special attention paid to sales of hemp.

FINE Barrels Molasses—19 Half Barrels Bachelor's syrup—15 Kegs do.

McCOMAS & VIVION.

QUEENSWAIF, Tinware and Castings, just received at the People's Store, and for sale very low.

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G R A I N S e t h e r s and Cradles, made expressly to our order, for sale by

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PARKVILLE STEAM FLOUR MILL.

FORD & ASHBY.

W O U L D inform the Farmers, Merchants, and others in Parkville and vicinity, that they have purchased this well-known and excellent Flour Mill, and are now ready to buy Wheat and Corn for extensive sales at the lowest prices; they will be glad to Grind to order.

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Orders from County Merchants, or from Dealers in the River towns, will be promptly filled, at liberal rates.

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AGRICULTURAL.

The Farmer.

Teet on, brave man! I throw sun and shower,

Thou shalt not fail in vain!

The earth, thy servant, comes to pour

Her wealth of autumn grace.

For thou the Evening-Glow comes;

For thou, the rain drops fall;

For thou, the golden harvest bends;

Behold in God all!

Look up and smile; no mortal task

Is thine, to till the field;

What noble calling can you seek?

Go to the plain of death, and learn

The glory heroes gain;

Go on each ghastly heap, and quench

The conqueror's bloody train!

'Tis thine to break the virgin sod,

Sudden this pathless wild,

Where none's reclaiming foot 'er trod

And beauty never smiled.

Oh, heroes now, when man is more

The arms of war shall wield,

But proudly own, on every shore,

The plow, the spear and shield.

—Mark Lane Express.

What time shall we Cut Timber.

Never in winter, but always in summer, it should be cut during the most rapid season of growth, and while that season is drawing towards a close. The same rule should be followed that skillful nurseries observe in performing the operation of budding—that is, just as the terminal bud on each branch begins to form—as soon as it is first evident that the growth of the branch is about to terminate, but is still in active progress. Experienced tree-propagators have found that much earlier than this, the juice of the tree is too thin or liquid a state to form a good adhesion between the bud and the peeled surface. From the moment that bark separates freely from the wood, these juices continue to thicken, until growth ceases altogether, the new wood is completely formed, and when this new wood is in the state of thick mottled or crimson, then is the time the bud will adhere most perfectly. This is the period when the bark may be peeled from a tree without destroying its vitality. And this is the time for cutting timber. Early in spring, the tree is full of sap, which is little else than pure water, and which has been gradually accumulating through winter by the absorption of the roots with no outlet for its escape, there is in summer through myriads of leaves. While the tree is then replete with water, it is in the worst condition to be cut. But towards mid-summer, when a portion of this water has passed through the leaves, and the rest has been thickened by conversion into material for wood, the case is very different for while the water is present only once, the timber soon dries and hardens and assist in the preservation of the wood.

We have recently been furnished with a number of facts, in corroboration of this opinion, by Isaac Hishaw, of Farmington, Ontario county, N. Y., an old and enterprising settler, a close and extensive observer and who has had much experience in connection with sawmills and timber questions. All his observations tend to show the great difference between winter and summer cutting, and induces him to think that, cut at the best period, it will last under the average of circumstances three times as long when left in winter. In one instance, a fence, consisting of winter-cut materials, a part split into rails, and a portion in round poles, of beech, maple, ironwood, bass-wood, &c., had completely decayed in fifteen years, and none of it was fit for firewood. In another case, a quantity of bass-wood rails were cut in summer, and split from the brown or heart portion of the tree. This was done about fifty years ago, thirty years afterwards the fence was quite sound, and even some of the same rails remained undecayed, although much worn away by the weather. Winter sawmills, left over one summer at the mill are usually much decayed for several inches towards the interior; summer-cut logs, which have lain a like period are always sound. He has entreated for advice, if done in winter, to decay soon commence, and the worm which loves this wood, often wholly destroys its value. Summer-cut, he has never known it to be attacked by the insect, and indeed it seems too hard for them to penetrate. He had occasion to examine several old frames of buildings, and in every instance where the period of cutting could be determined, the same striking difference in durability was conspicuous.

He related several experiments on the durability of posts, one of which is worthy of repetition—In a gravelly soil where the water never remains, a stone bottom a few inches thick was laid in the post-hole, on which the post was set, and was then surrounded with stones closely rammed in on every side. As a consequence, the water never remains long enough in contact with the post to soak its interior, as would be the case if damp earth pressed its outer surface. Such posts consequently give promise of remaining sound, after some years' trial, at least twice the period of those simply packed in earth. He also adds that posts of wood termed the white cedar in western New-York, (Amorpha arborescens) last much longer when set green with the bark on, than if sawed and seasoned, which he attributes to the protection afforded by the durable bark, against the vicissitudes of rain and drouth, and the air and weather generally. In ordinary instances, however, above ground, the bark by preventing seasoning, only accelerates decay.

Now that the season is approaching, best adapted for timber-cutting, as indicated in the preceding remarks, we hope those interested will at least satisfy themselves on the subject by a fair and cheerful trial.—Country Gentlemen.

Breaking Horses.

Mr. Editor: I notice in your valuable paper some remarks on "breaking horses," from the "Prairie Farmer." In this operation, Maxim Goss' receipt for concocting a surrogn.—"To break a horse, first catch the surrogn."—In order to break a horse we first get a colt of good blood; and then we will need very little breaking.

A colt of good blood is always a colt of good courage, and the best way of securing a good colt, is to try his courage—See if anything will frighten him—see if he delights in loud noises, such as the sound of a drum—the noise of a bridge—the sound of a canon, &c.

A good colt will generally precede his dam travelling. If he lags behind—if he is easily frightened at nights, and sounds, get rid of him at once. He will not be worth the trouble of a year, and will only be a drain upon his master, with hindrance, never increase him. Feed him with a full course of bread pieces of carrots, &c., from the hand. Feed him well, give him a warm stable, and a good bed in winter. Halt him and lead him about when he is two years old—you may then put a harness on him, and lead him around in town.

Take good care that he never gets a chance to break from you or run away. In the spring, summer and fall give him a good pasture to exercise in, where he can run and consolidate his limbs. At four you may harness him in a sled, and afterwards in a light wagon. He is a good horse, but he does not think him—let him see everything that is going around him. A harness is a good thing to tame him down.

If you want him to work with another horse you may now harness him with a horse that is perfectly gentle, and is sure in all situations.

After five years old, he will be fit to put to any light work, in saddle or harness. But then he should not be overburdened or strained at this or any other age. At eight years old the horse is mature. His bones and muscles and tendons are fully developed and consolidated.—N. C. BAXTER in Granite Farmer.

SERVICES FOR COALS.—As there is a great scarcity of coal in the country, and farmers are likely to be much inconvenienced by it for fuel for their hogs, &c., I am tempted to offer the following for their benefit.

—Cut timber very fine and boil it well, to which add one part of oat-meal or bran, to two of the cut timber. This mixture will not only keep hogs well, but fatten them. The same is good for mitch cows.

In 1854 necessarily obliged me to use the above, and it answered well. [We are indebted to a friend for the above and submit it for the approval of our country readers.—Alton Tel.]

DAY PLACE.—It is stated that in Owen county, Ky., there is a certain tract of land, five miles square, on which there has not been a drop of rain since last spring. Rathers a dry location?

THE BUTTERFLY PLANT.—The "National Intelligencer" says that a specimen of the singular and beautiful "Butterfly Plant" is now in the National Green-House in Washington. The blossoms are very large and yellow, with numerous brown spots, and are moved to and fro with every breath of air, so as to resemble very much the gaudy insect from which it derives its name. The Plant was brought from the Island of St. Thomas in the U. S. Fugitive Slave.

THE ADVANTAGES OF SUB-SOIL PLOWING become more apparent every day. In Christian county, Ky., those farmers who adopted this system in the tillage of their lands the present season, have the most abundant crops, while their neighbors who practice only discult, the former are dry and hardy and assist in the preservation of the soil.

AMBROSE REEDER, Master, BREVEN V. GLIMM, Clerk.

REGULAR RIVER PACKET.

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